

# APPENDIX VIII

## REGULATIONS FOR THE NJ INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

### SUBCHAPTER 2: FIRE SERVICE INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

#### 5:75-2.1 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM ADOPTED

- (a) Pursuant to authority of P.L. 1995, c.266 sec. 4, (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-25l) the Commissioner hereby adopts the model standard of the National Fire Protection Association, known as "NFPA 1561/ Standard on Fire Department Incident Management System/1995." This standard is hereby adopted by reference as the State Incident Management System, subject to the modifications set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:75-2.2.
- (b) Copies of this standard may be obtained from the sponsor at: National Fire Protection Association, Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269.
- (c) When used alone, the terms "subchapter," "section," and so forth, refer to that portion of these regulations. When used in Section 2.2 below, the terms "section," "subsection" or "chapter," and so forth, refer to the NFPA Standard.

#### 5:75-2.2 MODIFICATIONS

- (a) The following sections of the NFPA 1561, 1995 ed. are modified as follows:
  1. Section 1-1.1 is amended to replace the term "fire departments" with "the fire service."
  2. Section 1-1.2 is amended to delete the terms "emergency medical care," "military, and private" and "and fire brigades."

3. Section 1-1.2.2 is amended to delete the second sentence in its entirety.
4. Section 1-3 ("Definitions") is amended as follows:
  - i. "Emergency incident."..
  - ii. "Fire Department," and
  - iii. "Member."
5. Section 2-5.2 is amended as follows:
  - i. The term "fire department" is deleted and the term "Regulations for Fire Service Incident Management System" is substituted in lieu thereof.
  - ii. The term "and experience" is deleted.
6. Section 2-6 is deleted in its entirety.
7. Chapter 5 "Referenced Publications" is deleted in its entirety.

#### 5:18E-2.3 GEOGRAPHICAL IDENTIFICATION OF THE INCIDENT SCENE

- (a) To provide for uniform identification of locations and operational forces within an incident scene, the scene shall be divided geographically into smaller parts which shall be designated as divisions. Specific areas of the incident scene shall be designated as follows:
  1. Sides of incident scenes designated as divisions shall be further identified by the addition of a letter of the alphabet beginning with the letter "A."
    - i. The side of the incident scene that bears the postal address of the

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location shall be designated as division "A" by the incident commander. Where the incident scene has no postal address, the incident commander shall select any side to designate division "A."

- ii. Continuing in a clockwise rotation, the side adjacent to the division "A" side shall be designated as division "B."
  - iii. Continuing in a clockwise rotation, the side adjacent to the division "B" side shall be designated as division "C."
  - iv. Continuing in a clockwise rotation, the side adjacent to the division "C" side shall be designated as division "D."
2. When operating at an incident containing more than one level, each

level shall be designated as a division and shall be further identified by the addition of an Arabic numeral beginning with the number "1."

- i. The ground level of the incident scene shall be designated as division "1."
  - ii. The next level above the ground level shall be designated as division "2."
  - iii. Subsequent levels above division "2" shall be assigned division numbers in progressing order in this manner.
3. Additional areas of the incident scene shall be designated through the use of terms common to the fire department including but not limited to: basement, roof, interior etc.